

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PARKS & RECREATION  
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17,  
2020, AT 7:00 P.M. WITH ACCESS VIA RINGCENTRAL.**

**ROLL CALL & ESTABLISH QUORUM –**

Meeting called to order at 7:08 p.m.

PRESENT: Chair Lindermeier, Vice Chair Spielman, Commissioners Dailey and Morris

ABSENT: Commissioners Yeh and Weinberg, who have communicated plans to join late

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Jane Clayton, a Heritage Oaks Park neighbor, expressed several concerns regarding the Parks & Recreation Commission's proposal regarding off-leash hours. She also spoke about the statistics collected at the workshops.

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION**

1. Commission Minutes

Approve minutes of the Special Meeting of May 20, 2020.

Action: Upon a motion by Commissioner Dailey, seconded by Commissioner Morris, the Commission approved the minutes (with changes) for the meeting of May 20, 2020 by the following vote:

Approve: Lindermeier, Spielman, Morris, and Dailey.

Oppose: None.

Abstention: None.

Motion passed: 4-0-0.

2. Halsey House Update

Receive a presentation from the Historical Commission Staff Liaison / City of Los Altos Associate Planner Sean Gallegos regarding the status of the Halsey House and consider forwarding a recommendation to City Council. He was assisted in presenting by Aida Fairman, the Engineering Services Manager for the City of Los Altos; Dr. Elisabeth Ward, from the Los Altos History Museum; and Marie Backs, from the Friends of Redwood Grove.

**COMMISSIONER WEINBERG JOINED THE MEETING AT 7:37 P.M.  
COMMISSIONER YEH JOINED THE MEETING AT 7:38 P.M.**

Public Comment: Gary Hedden spoke about the importance of Historic Halsey House and the Redwood Grove Nature Preserve. He encouraged the Commission to preserve the structure for future use opportunities.

Action: Commissioner Weinberg moved that the Parks & Recreation Commission recommended to City Council that the City conduct a study to determine the cost of saving part of Halsey House and to complete an updated Historic Resource Evaluation. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Spielman.

A friendly amendment was made by Commissioner Morris that the following be added to the end of Commissioner Weinberg's motion: "following a joint meeting of the Parks & Recreation Commission and the Historical Commission or subcommittees contained therein. Commissioner Weinberg did not accept the friendly amendment.

A vote on the original motion by Commissioner Weinberg passed as follows:  
Approve: Lindermeier, Spielman, Yeh, Weinberg, and Dailey.  
Oppose: None.  
Abstention: Morris.  
Motion passed: 5-0-1.

Action: Commissioner Morris moved that the Parks & Recreation Commission asks the City Council to allow the Parks & Recreation Commission and the Historical Commission to meet and confer. The motion was seconded by Commission Spielman.

The motion was withdrawn by Commissioner Morris.

3. Subcommittee Appointment  
Consider the appointment of one Commissioner to the existing Dog Park Subcommittee.

Public Comment: Barbara Adey asked that her comment regarding opposition to a new member into record.

Action: None.

4. Meeting Strategies  
Review and discuss proposed meeting strategies from Chair Lindermeier and approve guidelines for conducting future meetings.

Public Comment: None.

Action: None.

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

5. Monthly staff report

## **COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

- A. Work Plan Subcommittee Updates

## **POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- A. GreenTown Los Altos Presentation (July)
- B. Dog Park Subcommittee Recommendations
- C. Grant Park Master Plan (July)
- D. Bocce Ball Proposal

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Lindermeier adjourned the meeting at 10:18 p.m.